



Record fish program

Official catch and release application procedures

1. Application forms for catch and release record certification must be completed and submitted to: Sportfish Coordinator, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, 1594 W. North Temple, Suite 2110, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-6301 within 30 days of catch. Incomplete or illegible applications will be rejected.
2. At least one color photograph of the fish (side-view) must be submitted with each application. Please submit additional photographs of yourself and the fish for news and publicity purposes by the Division. All photographs will become the property of the state and will not be returned.
3. Fish must be caught by legal angling methods and released in good condition in the water from which it was caught. (See [Utah Fishing Guidebook](#)).
4. Fish must be caught from state waters open to public fishing. Fish caught from fee fishing facilities or privately owned ponds or fish hatcheries are ineligible.
5. Record fish will be determined by total length measured to the nearest 1/8 inch. To be certified, the fish must exceed the previously recognized record.
6. The measurement and release of the fish must be witnessed and certified in writing.
7. Fish taken from Flaming Gorge Reservoir, Lake Powell, and Bear Lake will be recognized if taken legally from any portion of these waters; provided that the fish is weighed/measured and certified in Utah in accordance with these rules and procedures. The only exceptions to this are (1) Page, Arizona, which will be accepted as an official weigh-in location, or (2) if the record submission from these interstate waters is verified by the corresponding state wildlife agency.
8. The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources reserves the right to further check identification or verification of witnesses and/or documentation of catch, and to reject any applications which are questionable.
9. Record submissions will only be considered for the following species: Bonneville whitefish, mountain whitefish, cutthroat trout, rainbow trout, golden trout, lake trout, brook trout, arctic grayling, kokanee salmon, brown trout, tiger trout, splake, walleye, yellow perch, Sacramento perch, striped bass, white bass, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, bullhead, channel catfish, black crappie, green sunfish, bluegill, northern pike, wiper, tiger muskellunge, and common carp.
10. The above rules will take effect on January 1, 2010.



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Please print all information

Angler information

Name _____ Utah fishing licence number _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ Cell/work _____

Witness to catch, measurement and release

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ Cell/work _____

Signature _____

Catch information

Fish species / hybrid _____ Photo attached? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date and location of catch

Date of catch (mm/dd/yy) ____ / ____ / ____ Time _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m.

Name of lake or stream _____ County _____ Nearest town _____

Method of fishing *(Check all that apply)*

☐ Casting ☐ Trolling ☐ Still fishing ☐ Spearfishing ☐ Boat ☐ Shore ☐ Ice ☐ Fly fishing

☐ Pier ☐ Setline Type of lure or bait _____

Total length (inches) _____ **Signature** _____ **Date** ____ / ____ / ____

I certify that the information given above is true, accurate and that I have fulfilled all of the requirements as outlined in the Utah State Record Fish Application and Procedures.

DWR USE ONLY

Species and length verification

DWR name _____ Office address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ DWR signature _____

Date received at SLO _____ Action taken: ☐ Certified ☐ Denied DWR signature _____